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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Strasbaugh et al.

Serial No.: 10/717,032

Art Unit: 3724

Filed: November 18, 2003

For: A Method of Backgrinding
Wafers while Leaving
Backgrinding Tape on a Chuck

Examiner: Eley, Timothy V.

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231


Sir:

Enclosed please find Applicant's Amendment After Allowance in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.512 which includes the Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement. These references are disclosed in the parent application 10/315,746, now U.S. Patent 6,866,564.

The application has been subject to an action on the merits, the fee required by 37 CFR 1.97(c) is required. This fee is \$240 (37 CFR 1.17(p)). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees associated with this communication, any deficiency in the fee paid, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 03-3700.

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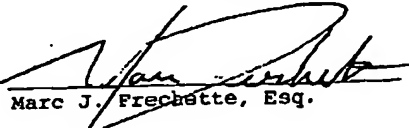

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